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EIGHTH ARMY REACHES HOMS

Axis Prepares To Quit Tripoli?

Allied Planes Bomb Sousse And Castel Benito

LONDON, Jan. 20.

The Morocco Radio this afternoon reported that the Eighth Army has now reached the port of Homs.

WILL AXIS QUIT TRIPOLI?

The Morocco Radio quoting a Cairo message says that there are indications that the Axis has already begun to embark troops at Tripoli.

The Cairo Radio stated to-night that the Eighth Army is now only thirty miles from Tripoli.

Homs is 25 miles along the coast beyond the Zliten area, which the Eighth Army reached yesterday.

Tarhuna is about 40 miles south-east of Tripoli and is just over 25 miles from the chief Axis aerodrome at Castel Benito, which was again heavily attacked on Monday night.

Cairo Communique

CAIRO: To-day's Middle East joint war 'communique' states: "Yesterday our forces continued to press the enemy to the north-west and by the evening were closing in on Homs and Tarhuna. In the course of the day's operations we captured prisoners, guns and vehicles.

Allied air squadrons continued to attack the retreating enemy. Fighter bombers and bombers have maintained continuous pressure during the last 24 hours on the columns moving westwards from Tarhuna.

During the night of January 18|19 the airfield of Castel Benito was heavily attacked by R. A. F. aircraft. A large ship was attacked by torpedo aircraft west of Sicily the same night and left in a sinking condition.

Yesterday Allied heavy bombers attacked harbours in Tripoli and Sousse. These formations were engaged by enemy aircraft, three of which were destroyed.

It is now learned that an enemy fighter was shot down during the previous day.

From these and other operations four of our aircraft are missing."

A United States Army Air Force Headquarters 'communique' reports that "Liberator" bombers attacked Tripoli and Sousse during daylight yesterday when a merchant vessel in Sousse harbour received a direct hit by a heavy calibre bomb. The previous night American medium-bombers attacked Castel Benito aerodrome setting several Axis aircraft on fire and causing large fires at aerodrome installations.

ATTACK ON CASTEL BENITO

From Reuter's special correspondent at Allied Headquarters in North Africa:—A second attack by Flying Fortresses on Castel Benito 13 miles south of Tripoli within a week was made in the face of opposition by 20 planes. Heavy bombs straddled the hangars in the airfield. The big fires which followed blotted out the entire hangar area. Three Axis planes were shot down although a FLYING FORTRESS and its LIGHTNING escort were also lost. Air activity was on a bigger scale than usual. Axis communications far behind their rear were singled out for attack. SPITFIRES made big sweeps and in the only encounter with Axis planes shot down three Messerschmitts for the loss of two machines. BISLEYS bombed Tunis area particularly the road linking Hammamet and Zagnouan as well as roads leading inland from Sfax.

ROME:—An Italian communique says: "One of our torpedo boats on escort duties in the Mediterranean was lost through enemy submarine action. This morning enemy planes dropped several high explosives near Noto, Sicily."

Axis Advance To Robaa

From Reuter's special correspondent at the Allied Headquarters in North Africa:—British artillery units armed with field and anti-tank guns are now helping the French to meet persistent German pressure on their position south-west of Pont-du-Fahs in the southern sector of the Tunisian front. Despite fierce Allied resistance German troops supported by tanks and aircraft succeeded in penetrating seven miles on the road from Pont-du-Fahs to Robaa. The Germans appear to aim at driving the Allies from all the high ground in the area to prevent an Allied attack on the ports of Sousse and Sfax and keep open the corridor to northern Tunisia through which Rommel's army from Tripolitania may want to pass.

"Hurricane" bombers and "Spitfires" effectively co-operated with ground troops in attacking the Germans south-west of Pont-du-Fahs. On one part of the road "Hurricanes" bombed and "Spitfires" used cannon against a column of 20 vehicles and 400 troops.

From Reuter's military correspondent:—

It is clear that the enemy has no intention of making a stand on the line Tarhuna-Homs although his rearguards may put up a delaying action.



CHILE TO BREAK WITH AXIS

SANTIAGO CHILE, Jan. 20.

The Chilean Senate has voted to break off diplomatic relations with the Axis by a majority of 28.

TRIAL OF PIR PAGARO

KARACHI, Jan. 20.

It is learnt that the trial of Pir Pagaro—who has been handed over to the military authorities in connection with the Hur disturbances—has not yet commenced.

It is also learnt that if and when a trial is ordered the Pir will be given every opportunity to defend himself in respect of the charges brought against him.

PHILLIPS-CRAIK TALKS

NEW DELHI, Jan. 20.

Mr. William Phillips, President Roosevelt's personal representative, met Sir Henry Craik, Political Adviser to the Viceroy, and Dr. Sir R. P. Paranjpye.—A. P.

Twelfth Jap Air Raid On Chittagong

Allies Bomb Rathedaung And Bassein Docks In Burma

(Through A. P. And U. P.)

CHITTAGONG, Jan. 18.

There was an enemy air raid on the Chittagong area last night (17).

This was the twelfth enemy air raid since May last. Anti-aircraft guns went into action. A few empty huts were gutted by the bombing. Casualties were extremely slight.

Jap Resistance In Arakan

NEW DELHI: Strong enemy resistance continues in Arakan and no important change has been reported, says India Command joint war 'communique'.

Yesterday morning a formation of R. A. F. Blenheims, escorted by fighters, bombed the village of Indali, on Akyab Island. For the first time in a fortnight enemy fighters were encountered and several combats took place. Our fighters destroyed one Japanese aircraft and damaged others without loss to themselves. A single enemy fighter which attacked the 'Blenheims' was damaged and driven off.

"BLENHEIMS" RAID RATHEDAUNG

In the afternoon other "Blenheims", also escorted by fighters, attacked Rathedaung.

Other operations included the bombing of enemy position near Rathedaung and attacks on Japanese water transport elsewhere in Burma.

On Monday night bombs were dropped on the enemy aerodrome at Meiktila.

From these operations none of our aircraft is missing.

BASSEIN DOCKS BOMBED

Heavy bombers of the Tenth U. S. Air Force yesterday bombed the docks at Bassein, Burma.

A combined formation of fighters and medium bombers from India bases have maintained bombing and strafing attacks against enemy installations at Kamaing in Northern Burma for the past two days.

HALF JAP BASE DESTROYED

On January 19, the attack was resumed in greater force, using both high explosive and incendiary bombs. Direct hits were reported on the building used at Japanese Headquarters, on the enemy barracks, and a warehouse. As a result of these operations it is estimated that half of the enemy base is completely destroyed.

FENI HAS ITS FOURTH RAID

Feni experienced its fourth air raid of the war on Wednesday morning at about 9 a. m. The warning was given in good time and the people took shelter. Casualties were few. Anti-aircraft guns went into action.

JAPS FIGHT LOSING WAR

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, Jan. 19.

There is no doubt that Japan is now fighting a losing war in the Pacific as a result of the terrible pummeling in the south-eastern Solomons during the past five months. Although far from being beaten, the enemy is now thrown on his defensive.

NO BENEFIT TO JAPS

The Japanese have recently been able to construct the vast Munda base in New Georgia, 170 miles north-east of Guadalcanar, which the aviation units based at Hendersonfield are neutralising through domination of the skies.

Every attempt made by the enemy to base planes at Munda was foiled when the American bombers and fighters destroyed enemy planes within a few hours of their being flown to Munda.

The anniversary of the Solomons invasion finds the situation relatively quiet.

BR. PLAN TO RESCUE JEWS

Eden On Allied Declaration Condemning Nazi Atrocities

LONDON, Jan. 20.

Mr. Eden questioned in the Commons concerning the plans to rescue Jews from threatened extermination by the Germans and whether the stage had been reached when concrete proposals could be put to the German Government said:

"I do not know about concrete proposals to the Germans but certain concrete results—yes I hope so"

Mr. Eden said that the Vatican was officially informed of the joint Allied declaration condemning the atrocities committed on the Jewish people by the German authorities.

Asked if there had been any Vatican statement on the declaration, he replied that the Pope in a broadcast since the declaration "has expressly condemned the persecution of hundreds of thousands of people who though no fault of their own, sometimes owing to nationality, are doomed to death or slow decline".

"BOMB ROME" DEMAND IN COMMONS

LONDON, Jan. 20.

More suggestions that Rome should be bombed by the R. A. F. were made in the Commons at question time to-day.

Mr Eden said that it was correct that there was still a military camp on the outskirts of Rome and armament factories within the city and in close proximity to it. "I think Mr Churchill made it plain last September that we have as much right to bomb Rome as the Italians had to bomb London (Cheers) and we should not hesitate to do so to the best of our ability and as heavily as possible if the course of war should render such action convenient and helpful (Cheers)."—Reuter.

JAP PREMIER ILL

TOKYO, Jan. 20.

The Japanese Premier Tojo is ill, according to a Tokyo radio report.

The reopening of the Diet which has been arranged for to-morrow may be postponed until January 28.—Reuter.

In Britain

11 NAZI PLANES SHOT DOWN

44 Persons Including School Children Killed In Raid

LONDON, Jan. 20.

Eleven German planes were shot down to-day by fighters.

Reuter learns about 25 to 30 German fighter-bombers crossed the coast of Beachyhead and spread over Kent and Sussex. About six went over London area. Between 50 and 100, which stayed over the Channel as cover were engaged by R. A. F. fighters and some German planes were destroyed.

TWENTY-FOUR KILLED

Twenty-four people killed during the German raids on Britain to-day. In the raid on London, a bomb which hit a school killed 20 infants.

Gunfire was heard in London during the lunch hour to-day. An air raid warning was sounded in London during the lunch hour.

The launch hour alert in the London area to-day was the first since October 26.

In one area, eight German aircraft are reported to have skimmed rooftops. Watchers clearly saw black crosses on them as they passed over at great speed. Heavy burst of gunfire was heard in London. Three planes, flying high, disappeared into the clouds after puffs of smoke from shell bursts appeared in their direction.

TRAIN MACHINE-GUNNED

After releasing their bombs they machine-gunned a passenger train in the locality. It is feared that some people, including children, who had returned home for lunch, were killed.

R. A. F. RAIDS N. FRANCE

An Air Ministry 'communique says: "Aircraft of the Fighter Command on intruder patrol attacked railway targets in Northern France and Low Countries during the night. None of our aircraft is missing."

Soviet Drive Towards Kharkov

More Towns Captured On Voronezh Front

Several German Divisions 'Stalingraded' In Classical Pincer Movement

LONDON, Jan. 20.

Soviet forces have tightened the ring round Hitler's army south of Voronezh as they drive towards Kharkov, the main German base in the Ukraine.

The midday "communique" giving this news adds, several more inhabited localities have been captured from the Germans.

Latest reports reaching Moscow show that the Russians are less than 70 miles from Kharkov Their advance to Valuiki, whose capture was announced last night, was made after a push of 50 miles in 58 hours.

Kupyansk (the vital junction of the Kharkov-Rostov and Moscow-Rostov railways) is now directly menaced by the Red Army.

CENTRAL FRONT

The same story of success comes from the Central Front where the Red Army has taken six villages killing hundreds of Germans and destroying or capturing 20 tanks. Further north, the Soviet forces, which captured Schlusselburg and relieved Leningrad, are keeping up the pressure south of Lake Ladoga and have captured a strong German position. With the new advance to the railway station of Splitsevka, the Soviet forces in the Northern Caucasus are within 22 miles of Voroshilovsk. The capture of Voroshilovsk would open the door for rapid drives north-west of Salsk and west to Armavir, Krasnodar and the Maikop oilfields.

Valuiki Captured

MOSCOW, Jan 20.

A special announcement says that Valuiki has been captured by the Russians. Kamensk has also been captured. The railway station of Belaya-Kalitva and two more towns on the Voronezh front have also been captured.

German forces on the railway line from Kamenka to Rossosh have been completely encircled and are being mopped up. By the end of yesterday, the prisoners taken totalled 21,000 and in one day bringing the total of 52,000 in the Voronezh offensive.

The supplement to Wednesday's midday 'communique' says: "Our units operating west of Stalingrad occupied several enemy fortified positions after stubborn fighting.

ON SOUTHERN FRONT

On the south-western front, our troops repelled enemy counter-attacks and continued the offensive. After crossing the Manych river they occupied several inhabited localities.

On the Voronezh front, our troops continued to tighten the ring round the surrounded enemy troops. Several inhabited localities were captured.

In the Northern Caucasus, our troops captured several inhabited localities. South of Lake Lagoda one Soviet unit captured a strong enemy centre of resistance and destroyed twelve blockhouses and 13 strong points.

60 NAZI DIVISIONS BADLY MAULED

It is stated in London to-day that in addition to 29 out of 39 satellite German divisions, which has been badly mauled on the Russian front during the Soviet campaign, at least 60 German divisions have also been very badly knocked about since the offensive began.

'Red' Ring Round Nazis

A large number of Hitler's divisions are hopelessly trapped in the rear of the Red Army's advance south of Voronezh. These Germans have been "Stalingraded" or caught in a classical pincer movement on the Stalingrad model. During the night the iron ring was squeezed tighter round them.

Nothing Doing Till End Of War

LONDON, Jan. 20.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Stanley, asked in the Commons if the Government has considered the representations of the Ceylon National Congress regarding constitutional changes, replied: "Yes. The President of the Ceylon National Congress has been referred to the declaration by the British Government that Ceylon's constitutional reform will receive earnest and early attention once victory has been won. I have nothing to add to that declaration."—Reuter

Bombay Journalists To Welcome Turkish Mission

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

A resolution welcoming the Turkish Press delegation and deciding to give the members of the delegation a reception on their arrival in Bombay was passed by the Executive Committee of the Journalists Association of India, Bombay, at its meeting yesterday.—United Press.

STOP PRESS

13 AXIS VESSELS SUNK

LONDON, Jan. 20.

In a series of operations on Sunday, Monday and Tueday night British naval forces destroyed in the Central Mediterranean thirteen Axis vessels. The British ships suffered neither casualties nor damage.—Reuter.

MORE RUSSIAN SUCCESSES

MOSCOW:—A special announcement states that Soviet troops in the south have captured the town of Ostrogozhsk as also Nevinnomysk on the main Rostov-Mozdok railway. Proletarskoye and several other towns were also taken. On the south-west front Belo-Kurakhivo was captured.

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American Shipments To Russia

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.

America's Lend-Lease shipments to Russia include more than 3,200 tanks almost 2,600 planes and 31,000 military vehicles, the Lend-Lease Administrator, Mr. Edward Stetinius (Junior) revealed to-day.

"We have not yet been able to send as much as we should like", he said, "or as much as the Soviet Army needs and a part of what we have sent has been lost on the way. But the shipments are continuing to increase in spite of the shortage of shipping and enemy attacks."

The shipments in November last reached a new record and were 13 times the total sent in January the same year. The United Kingdom, added Mr. Stetinius, had shipped to Russia over 2,600 tanks and over 2,000 planes. American Lend-Lease shipments of food to Russia were now greater than those sent to Britain.—Reuter

In Delhi

TURKISH MISSION ENTERTAINED

NEW DELHI, Jan. 20.

The Turkish Press delegation were entertained by the editor of "Daily Dawn" Mr. Pothan Joseph to tea this afternoon.

About 200 guests were present including Sir Jeremy and Lady Raisman, Mr. M. S. Aney, Mr N. P. Sarkar, Sir Ferozkhan Noon, Sir Mohammed Usman, Sir Edward Benthall, Sir Jwala Pershad Srivastava Sir Gilbert Laithwaite, Consuls-General of Nepal, Iran and Afghanistan, Sir Abdur Rahim, Nawabzada and Begum Liaquat Ali Khan, British, American, Chinese and Indian press correspondents now present in Delhi, the Imam Sahib of Jama Masjid, Khawaja Tassan Nizami and members of the Provincial Muslim League.

The Delegation was entertained to Lunch, earlier by Field Marshal Sir Archibald Wavell and Lady Wavell.—A. P.

CIVIC WELCOME TO TURKISH DELEGATION

CALCUTTA, Jan. 20.

The Corporation decided to-day to accord a civic reception to the Turkish Press delegation on their arrival in Calcutta towards the end of this month, and sanctioned a sum not exceeding Rs. 500 for the purpose.—A. P.

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY
Public Health Department.
NOTICE.

TENDERS for the right of skinning dead animals for one year commencing from 1st April, 1943, will be received by the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay on 3-2-1943, not later than 1 p.m. (B. T.)

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(Sd.) B. C. DAS GUPTA,
Executive Health Officer,
Bombay Municipality.
Public Health Deptt.,
Municipal Offices,
Fort, Bombay, 19-1-43.
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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY
NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Municipal Corporation of the City of Bombay have framed revised rules for regulating the grant of voluntary grants-in-aid to institutions, carrying out any of the obligatory or discretionary duties of the Corporation in the City of Bombay and have further decided to admit upto 31st January, 1943, applications for grants during the year 1943-44.

Institutions applying for grant-in-aid during the year 1943-1944 should therefore submit their applications to the Corporation upto 31st January 1943 together with a copy of the Annual Report and Audited Balance Sheet for the previous year if the same has not already been previously submitted to the Corporation.

A copy of the rules framed for regulating the grant of voluntary grants-in-aid can be seen in the Offices of the Municipal Commissioner and the Municipal Secretary at the Municipal Head Office.

Sd. M. D. BHAT,
Municipal Commissioner.
Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 20th January, 1943.
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NOTICE

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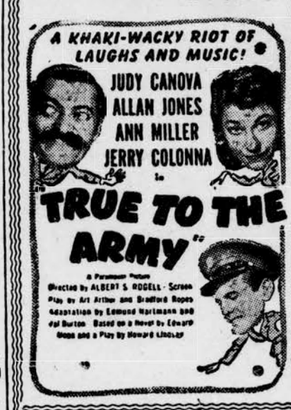
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FOUND IN POSSESSION OF BOMB?

A bail application made on behalf of the accused Ramachandra Bapu Rao and Sitaram Bhavani Shanker who were found in possession of Bomb, was rejected by Mr I. S. Haji, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagoan Court.

The Magistrate remarked that charges made against the accused were serious and according to the instructions the case was to be tried before a Special Tribunal.

Both the accused, it was stated, were arrested following a raid at Bholwada on the first floor of a room at Naigaum Cross Road on October 29 A crude bomb and materails of an explosive nature and other prejudicial document were found in their possession.

The case is postponed to February 3.

India's Export Trade

The Committee of the Indian Exporters' Association met Mr. Jamnadas M. Mehta on Tuesday, 19th January, 1943, and discussed with him matters relating to the Export Trade of this country.

The Committee also met to-day 20th January, 1943, Khan Bahadur Mirza Mumtaz Hasan Qizilbash, Commercial Attache to the British Legation at Kabul and discussed with him various proposals for the further development of Indo-Afghan Trade relations.

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Hindu : Posh Shud 15, 1999
Muslim : Moharrum 14, 1361
Parsi : Amardad 19, 1312
Sunrise : 8-17 a.m. Sunset : 7-23 p.m.
Hightide : 0-24, 12-05. Lowtide : 6-29, 17-59
Municipal Corporation at 2-30 p.m.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

EROS—"The Piped Piper" 3-30 6-30 and 9-30
KRISHNA—"Ever Yours. 4-30 7-15 and 10 p.m
SUPER—"Gora Kumbhar," 4-15 7 & 9-45 p.m.
EDWARD : "Ekta" 4, 6-30 & 10 p.m. (Sindhi Talkies)
METRO "I Married An Angel" 3-30 6-30 & 9-30 p.m
BROADWAY "Dil-Lagi," 4-30 7-15 & 10 p.m
SWASTIK—"Jawani" 3-30 6-30 & 10 p.m
LAMINGTON—"Ek-Raat," 4 7 & 10 p.m.
CAPITOL "3 Cheers for the Irish" 4, 6-30 & 9-30 p.m
NEW EMPIRE—"The Day will Dawn" 3-30, 6-30 & 9-30.
STRAND—"And One was Beautiful," 3-30, 6-30 & 9-30
REGAL "True To The Army" 4, 6-30 & 9-30
EXCELSIOR "Rudyard Kipling's Jungle Book' 3-30, 6-30 & 9-30 p.m.
LIGHT HOUSE—"A Yank in the R.A.F". 4-30 7 & 10 p.m.
NEW WEST END—"Zamindar" 3, 6-30 & 10 p.m
CENTRAL—"Ten O'clock" 4 7 & 10
PALACE—"Ghost Breakers" 4, 6-30 & 10
AURORA—"Smilin' Through" 4, 6-30 and 10
CHITRA—"Khan-Daan," 3, 6-15 & 9-30 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Bhakta Surdas," 5 7-30 and 10 p.m
HINDMATA "Chandni" 4-30 7-15 & 10 p.m
CITY LIGHT—"Pyas" 4-30, 7-15 & 10 p.m
IMPERIAL—"Jawab" 4 7 and 10 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Vasantsena," 4, 7 & 10 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Haso-Haso," 4-30, 7 & 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Kismet" 3-30, 6-30, & 9-30 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Basant". Time as usual

To-day's Engagements

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS, MATUNGA : A public study class on the subject of "The condition of soul in heaven" at 8-15 p.m. to-day (Thursday) at Putlia House, Bhau Daji Road, Matunga.

LENIN DAY CELEBRATION : The members of the Friends of the Soviet Union will celebrate the "Lenin Day" to-day (Thursday) at the F. S. U. Hall, 48, Benham Hall Lane, Girgaum Road, Bombay at 9 p.m. Mr. B. T. Ranadive will speak.

LAW COLLEGE VISITORS' BOARD : Mr. F. H. Vakeel and Mr. S. B. Jathar have been appointed members of the Board of Visitors of the Bombay Government Law College, for a period of three years.

BOMBAY COMMITTEE OF THE INDIAN FEDERATION OF LABOUR : A meeting will be held to-day (Thursday) at 7 p.m. (N.S.T.), in the Servants of India Society's Hall, Sandhurst Road, Girgaum.

SEVA SADAN SOCIETY : Annual general meeting will be held to-day (Thursday) at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.).

GHATKOPAR A.R.P. COMMITTEE : Mr. D. S. Tilak, Class III. Instructor will commence a class for training of Wardens at Municipal Office Building at Ghatkopar from to-day (Thursday) at 9 p.m. There will be eight lectures in all.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES' MEETING : A meeting of lower grade postal employees will be held at the Marwadi Vidyalaya Hall, Sandhurst Road, to-day (Thursday) at 6-30 p.m. Mr. N. M. Joshi will preside.

SIR M. ZAFRULLAH'S TALK TO-DAY : London : Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan, Judge of the Indian Federal Court will broadcast in the B. B. C.'s Eastern Short-wave Service at 11-15 G.M.T. on January 21st. The subject will be "The Pacific Relations Council.—Reuter.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

THURSDAY, JAN. 21.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

5 p.m. Sohan Singh, 5-15 Ram Autar. 5-25 Lakshman Prasad. 5-45 Varender Kumar. 5-55 Violin recital. 6 Kamleshwari Devi. 6-45 Fiimi Gane. 7 Sach to Yeh Hai. 7-15 Kamleshwari Devi. 7-25 Pilu on violin, 7-30 Kamleshwari Devi. 7-45 For villagers only. 8-30 The Axis speaks. 8-45 Airvoice orchestra. 8-55 Nazm recitation. 9-30 B B C News. 9 45 War inquiry. 10 Lakshman Prasad. 10-15 Sohan Singh. 10-30 Kamleshwari Devi. 10-45 Ram Autar. 10-55 Chhaya Tilak on violin.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8 a.m. Sitar recital. 8-5 News in Hindustani. 8-15 News in English. 8-30 Laxmibai 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 Sadiq Ali Akhtar 9-25 Ras and Garba. 9-35 V. R. Sardeshmukh. 9-45 Krishnarao Chonkar. 12-30 p.m. Bhajans. 12-45 News in Marathi 12-50 News in Gujarati. 12-55 News in Hindustani. 1 A light selection. 1-30 News in English. 1-40 Lunch hour music. 4-20 School broadcasts 5 To-morrow. 5-5 M. L. Nadkarni. 5-15 V. R. Sardeshmukh. 5-25 Krishnarao Chonkar. 5-40 Sadiq Ali Akhtar. 5-55 Local news and announcements. 6 Laxmibai. 6-30 News in English. 6-40 News in Hindustani. 6-50 M. L. Nadkarni. 7 First Muslim Literary Settlers. 7-15 V. R. Sardeshmukh. 7-30 String music. 7-45 News in Marathi. 7-55 News in Gujarati. 8-5 Sadiq Ali Akhtar. 8-20 Topical talk. 8-30 The Axis speaks. 8-45 Dot and Dash. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 Olive Lloyd. 10 Joseph De Lima 10-15 The Waltz

Bombay II—Programme

61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

8 to 8-5 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 8-5 Abhanga. 8-15 to 8-50 As in Bombay 1 8-50 Laxmibai. 9 Air Chorus party. 9-10 to 10 As in Bombay 1.

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

12-30 to 2-30 p.m. As in Bombay 1.

49.3 metres (6,085 kc/s)

4-20 to 7-15 As in Bombay 1. 7-15 Interval.

89.15 metres (3,365 kc/s)

7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 Krishnarao Chonkar. 8-5 to 9 As in Bombay I. 9 V. R. Sardeshmukh. 9-10 Sadiq Ali Akhtar. 9-25 Laxmibai. 10 "Paurnimecha Chandra"—Part I. 10-30 Krishnarao Chonkar.

Advice To Students

Mr. Vaikunth L. Mehta delivering the inaugural address of Shri Mahavira Jaina Vidyalaya Union on Tuesday evening urged the students to evince keen interest in the constructive programme like the village industries and Khaddar.

Mr. Chimanlal Chakubhai Shah presided.

HONORARY MAGISTRATES' SOCIETY : The ordinary general meeting of the members of the Society of the Honorary Presidency Magistrates of Bombay will be held to-day (Thursday) at 6 p.m. in the Esplanade Police Court Building, Bombay.

DADAR-MATUNGA WOMEN'S FUNCTION : Several associations of women in Dadar and Matunga will hold Haldikunku ceremony on Thursday and Friday, (to-day) and (to-morrow), when there will be a programme of variety entertainments, sale of handicrafts and distribution of old garments and grains to needy women at Dadar Bhagini Samaj premises at 5-30 p.m.

SRI SUBRAHMANYA PUJA : Celebration of Thaipushyam to-day (Thursday) and to-morrow (Friday) at the South Indian Bhajana Samaj, Matunga.

ANJUMAN-I-PUSHTOON, BOMBAY : The Secretary, Anjuman-i-Pushtoon, Bombay, writes :—

The following resolution passed by the Anjuman-i-Pushtoon Bombay, in a special meeting convened for the purpose

Mr. Abdul Aziz Khan, D.S.P., Bombay to be congratulated on the confirmment of the title of Khan Sahib on him, and a tea party should be given to Khan Sahib in his honour.

The Government of Bombay and the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, to be thanked for the honour bestowed on Khan Sahib.

BOMBAY TO GET 40,000 TONS OF RICE AND MILLETS

Rationing To Begin In April

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The Government of Bombay had succeeded in inducing the Governments of the Punjab, Sind and Central Provinces to give them 40,000 tons of rice and millets over and above the usual quanty imported every year was the chief item of news given by Mr A. D Gorwalla, Supply Commissioner at a press conference in the Civil Secretariat to-day

Mr. Gorwalla also stated that the Government expected to have a system of rationing functioning in the city by about the first week of April

Answering question regarding the latest order of the Government placing restrictions on holding stocks for domestic consumption Mr Gorwalla said that there was no intention to have house to house searches and also that the order did not apply to grains which may have been already bought by householders

With regard to the supply position the Supply Commissioner stated that normally Bombay imported about 50,000 tons of rice and millets from the Punjab, Sind and Central Provinces. But this time the Government have been able to secure the import of nearly 90,000 tons of rice and millets.

As far as wheat was concerned Bombay had only obtained about 1,000 tons from the Punjab and an equal quantity from Australia so far.

They were expecting the Government of India to give them some more wheat out of anything that might be imported from Australia. No quota, as such, had been fixed, but the Government of India fully realised the needs of Bombay. All movement of wheat was controlled by the Wheat Commissioner of the Government of India.

As far as rice was concerned the Government of Bombay had placed no restriction on bringing rice into Bombay except in two particulars

But most of the Provinces and States were unwilling to allow any merchants or private parties to buy within their jurisdiction, because they feared it would push up prices

Whatever quantity was to be brought into Bombay was purchased by the Government.

The only restriction that the Bombay Government had imposed was on the purchase of rice in the Thana and Colaba districts. In these districts the Country Rice Merchants' Association had been permitted to buy 11,000 bags of rice per month in each district for purposes of export. For the rest and agent of the Government bought whatever rice was available.

Rice thus bought in the Thana district was given to the city of Bombay and the rice bought in the Colaba district was earmarked for supply to other districts in the Provinces.

It was suggested to Mr. Gorwalla that nearly 1,000 tons of rice was being supplied from these districts for purposes of export to other countries. He said that it was unlikely, but promised to make inquiries.

As far as Government shops were concerned he said that there were 50 retail stores and 28 grain shops in the city The Government were constantly endeavouring to increase this number

It was suggested to him that charitable or social service organisations might be encouraged to open grain shops. He said that the suggestion would be considered.

He also promised to look into the question of bakers increasing the prices of bread although they were supplied wheat at controlled rates by Government

BOMBAY WOOL MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION : An informal meeting of the Bombay Wool Merchants and Exporters was held on Monday, at the offices of Messrs Vasanji and Co. at 2nd Panjrapole Lane, and it was unanimously decided to form an Association of the Bombay Wool Merchants to look after the interests of Wool trade in general

Mr. Haji E Dossa in his opening speech stressed the urgent need of an influential and representative organisation of the merchants and shippers owing to the difficult situation created by the many restrictions placed on the export of wool to Liverpool and U. S. A.

DECAMPED WITH RS. 120?

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Hansraj Tribhuvan who is alleged to have decamped with Rs. 120 from a man, taken on the pretext that he would be able to procure for him rice, wheat and other foodstuffs was put up to-day before Mr. D S. Babrekar

The Magistrate allowed him bail.

Young Woman Found Dead In Pool Of Blood

At about 1 p.m. on Tuesday one Mrs. Sakinabai Adam (25), residing at Forjett House, was found lying in a pool of blood in the courtyard of Rajboj Building. Life was extinct and the body was removed to the J. J. Hospital.

At the inquest held on Wednesday an accidental death was recorded at the Coroner's Court.

Revised Price Of Jowar

Owing to the rise in prices in primary markets, since the selling prices of jowar were fixed in August, the Government of Bombay has revised the maximum wholesale and retail prices as follows :—

Wholesale price per Bengal maund (82 2/7 lb.), Rs. 5-9-0 Retail price (per paylee)—Bombay city, 8 annas: Bombay Suburban District 8 annas 8 pies.

Opening Of Bharat Bank

The opening ceremony of the Bharat Bank Ltd., will be held at 14A, Elphinstone Circle, opposite Town Hall, to-day (Thursday) at 4 p.m. The Hon. Sir Shantidas Askuran, will preside.



The list will be opened on 25th January, 1943 and be closed on 1st February, 1943 or earlier at the direction of the Board of Directors.

(A COPY OF THIS PROSPECTUS HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE REGISTRAR OF JOINT STOCK COMPANIES, BENGAL.)

PROSPECTUS
OF
THE UNITED COMMERCIAL BANK, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL.... Rs. 4,00,00,000

DIVIDED INTO 4,00,000 ORDINARY SHARES OF RS. 100|- EACH.

Of the above Shares the Directors have decided to issue at par 1,00,000 Shares of Rs. 100|- each. Of these, the Directors and their friends have agreed to take up 1,00,000 Shares of the face value of Rs. 1,00,00,000|- (Rupees One Crore). Applications are invited for the balance. Such applications should be made in minimum unit of 5 shares or any multiple thereof. An application for an odd number will be treated as an application for a number equal to the multiple of five not exceeding the shares applied for.

It is intended to call Rs. 50|- per Share only for the present —Rs. 25|- per Share on application and Rs. 25|- on allotment; the balance of Rs. 50|- on calls to be made by the Directors if and when necessary. But it is not intended to make any further calls for the present.

DIRECTORS:

1. Mr. G. D. BIRLA, Merchant, 8, Royal Exchange Place, Calcutta, Chairman of the Board.
2. Mr. MAHADEO LAXMAN DAHANUKAR, Merchant, Managing Director, M. L. Dahanukar & Co., Ltd., Engineers & Builders, Director, Maharashtra Sugar Mills Ltd., Belwandi Sugar Farm Ltd., Industrial Assurance Buildings, Opposite Churchgate Station, Bombay.
3. Sir ADAMJEE HAJEE DAWOOD, Merchant, Managing Director of Adamjee Hajee Dawood & Co., Ltd., 4, Dalhousie Square, Calcutta.
4. Mr. ISWARI PRASAD GOENKA, Merchant, Partner of Messrs. Ramdutt Ramkissendas, 145, Muktaram Babu Street, Calcutta.
5. Mr. M. A. ISPAHANI, Merchant, 51, Ezra Street, Director of M. M. Ispahani & Co., Ltd., Calcutta.
6. Mr. BAIJNATH JALAN, Merchant, Partner of Messrs. Sooraj-mull Nagarmull, 61, Harrison Road, Calcutta.
7. Mr. ANANTA CHURN LAW, Merchant and Landholder, 37, Badur Bagan Row, Calcutta.
8. Mr. NAVIN CHANDRA MAFATLAL, Merchant, 29, Churchgate Street, Bombay.
9. Mr. MADAN MOHAN RAMNARAIN RUIA, Merchant, of Messrs. Ramnarain Sons Ltd., Millowners, 143, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Bombay.
10. Mr. RAMANLAL GOKALDAS SARAIYA, Merchant, Partner of Messrs. Narandas Rajaram & Co., Chairman, Bombay Provincial Co-operative Bank, Ltd., 85, Nepean Sea Road, Bombay.
11. Mr. MOTILAL TAPURIAH, Merchant and Landlord, Pedder Road, Bombay.

The Company has been formed for transacting banking business of all kinds and generally for the several objects set out in the Memorandum of Association (which forms part hereof and is printed herewith).

DIRECTORS' QUALIFICATIONS:

500 Shares of the face value of Rs. 50,000|- has been fixed by the Articles of Association as the qualification of a Director.

DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION:

The Articles provide that each Director shall receive by way of remuneration a sum not exceeding Rs. 100|- per Meeting attended by him. The Directors shall also be paid any travelling and other expenses for attending Meetings of the Board. The Directors may also be remunerated for any extra services performed by them outside their ordinary duties as Directors. The Directors, however, shall not charge any remuneration for attending Central Board Meetings until a dividend is declared.

INTEREST OF DIRECTORS

No Director of the Company has any interest in the promotion of Company except as a Director or Shareholder.

There are no restrictions on the Directors of the Company in respect of their powers of management, except such as are provided for in the Indian Companies Act.

VOTING RIGHTS:

On a show of hands every member present in person holding at least 5 Shares shall have one vote and upon a poll every member present in person or by a proxy shall have one vote for every 5 Shares held by him.

RESTRICTIONS UPON MEMBERS AS TO VOTING, ETC.

No member shall be entitled to be present or to vote on any question either personally or by proxy or as proxy for another member any General Meeting or upon a poll or be reckoned at a quorum whilst any call or other sum shall be due and payable to the Company in respect of such a member.

RESTRICTION ON TRANSFER OF SHARES:

The Directors may decline to register and transfer of Shares on which the Company has a lien and in case of Shares not fully paid, may refuse to register a transfer to a transferee of whom they do not approve. Directors may also refuse to register transfer of any Shares to any person whom it shall in their opinion be not desirable in the interests of the Company to admit to Membership.

MINIMUM SUBSCRIPTION:

The minimum subscription on which the Directors may proceed to allotment is fixed at Rs. 1,00,00,000|- i.e. 1,00,000 Shares of Rs. 100| each.

PRELIMINARY EXPENSES.

The Preliminary expenses, including registration fee, printing and other incidental expenses (but excluding brokerage) are estimated not to exceed Rs. 40,000|-.

BROKERAGE OR COMMISSION

The Directors have decided to pay brokerage of Re. 1|- per Share for all Shares, allotted applications wherefor shall be received through Brokers or Banks or Investment Companies.

INSPECTION OF MEMORANDUM AND ARTICLES:

A copy of the Memorandum of Association of the Company which forms part of this Prospectus and the Articles of Association can be inspected at the Registered Office of the Company in Calcutta during business hours.

The Registered Office of the Bank will be in Calcutta which will be the Head Office. The Directors intend to open a Branch immediately at Bombay and in other important Cities as and when considered necessary by the Directors.

Application will be made to the Calcutta Stock Exchange and the Bombay Stock Exchange (The Native Share & Stock Brokers Association) for official quotation.

SOLICITORS:

1. Tricumdas Dwarkadas, Esq., Churchgate Street, Fort, Bombay.
2. Messrs. P. D. Himatsingka & Co., 6, Old Post Office Street Calcutta.

BANKERS:

1. Imperial Bank of India.
2. Central Bank of India Ltd.
3. Bank of India Ltd.
4. Bank of Baroda Ltd.

AUDITORS:

1. Messrs. G. P. Kapadia & Co., Registered Accountants, Bombay.
2. Messrs. Ray & Ray, Chartered Accountants, Church Lane, Calcutta.
3. Messrs. K. N. Gutgutia & Co., Incorporated Accountants, 57, Burtolla Street, Calcutta.

GENERAL MANAGER:

B. T. Thakur, Esq., 4, Clive Ghat Street, Calcutta.

REGISTERED OFFICE:

4, Clive Ghat Street, Calcutta.

APPLICATION FOR SHARES.

Application for Shares may be made upon the form accompanying the Prospectus or a similar form and application money may be paid at the following places. Cash or Cheques and Drafts on any place in India will be accepted without any banking charges.

(a) Registered Office in Calcutta.
(b) Imperial Bank of India, at any of its branches.
(c) Central Bank of India Ltd., at any of its branches.
(d) Bank of India Ltd., at any of its branches.
(e) Bank of Baroda Ltd., at any of its branches.

Where no allotment is made the deposit will be returned in full and when the number of Shares allotted is less than the number applied for, the balance of the deposit will be utilised against allotment amount and the surplus, if any, will be refunded.

Dated this 14th day of January, 1943.

G. D. Birla.
Navin Chandra Mafatlal.
Madan Mohan Ramnarain.
R. G. Saraiya.
M. A. Ispahani.
Iswari Prasad Goenka.
Ananta Churn Law.
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Baijnath Jalan.

SERIAL NO :
BANKER'S
CASHIER'S NO :

To

THE DIRECTORS,

The UNITED COMMERCIAL BANK, LIMITED.

Gentlemen,

Having paid to you/your Bankers the sum of Rs. by cash/Cheque being a deposit of Rs. 25/- per Share payable on application for Ordinary Shares of Rs. 100/- each of the abovenamed Company I/We request you to allot to me/us Shares upon the terms of the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association and Prospectus dated the day of January, 1943 and I/We hereby agree to accept the same or any less number that you may allot to me/us and to pay the remainder of the amounts due on receiving notice of allotment and I/We authorise you to register me/us as the holder (s) of the said Shares.

Name in full (Mr. Mrs. or Miss.)——

Address (in full) ——

Description ——

Date ——

Signature ——

This form should be sent entire with the deposit of Rs. 25 on each Share to the Company or the Company's Bankers together with cash or Crossed Cheque in favour of the Company for the amount of the deposit.

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WANTED INDIAN CONTROL

The speech of the Governor of Bombay on Monday in connection with the forthcoming Red Cross Week and the statement made by Lt. Gen. Sir Noel Beresford Peirse, G.O.C.-in-Chief, Southern Army, at the Conference he had with Editors indicate that some necessary improvements have been made in military hospitals, so as to remove or prevent racial discrimination against Indians. The Governor stated definitely that the Army Commander had issued instructions some months ago that there was to be no difference whatsoever in the standards of Indian and British hospitals and that so far as the Red Cross was concerned the Provincial Joint War Committee had laid down in preparing estimates that the same allotment per bed should be made for all hospitals of whatever kind they were. But he did not deny that certain things were wrong in the Indian wing of the hospital at Colaba and that they were set right only after an investigation by two leaders of the Red Cross, Sir Jamshedji Duggan and Sir Ardeshir Dalal

Wanted Indianisation

Sir Noel referred to the wider question of the character of the Indian army. He said that the Army should be "of the people and for the people" and that "harmony between the civil population and the army was essential to win this war." These sentiments do credit to Sir Noel's sense of justice and fairness. Sir Noel, obviously, could not deal with the political aspect of the question. To ensure perfect efficiency and perfect harmony with the people the army should be officered mostly, if not wholly, by Indians and also controlled by purely Indian Government. But at present the army in India is far from approximating this ideal, and the position is much worse in respect of the Indian Navy and Air Force. The Army could truly be of the people only when all these Defence Departments are controlled by an Indian Cabinet responsible to the people.

Pace Not Fast Enough

Sir Noel assured the Editors that there were no prejudices, racial or religious, in the army. He would provide every opportunity to members of the press to see the army in India, their weapons, state of efficiency, feeding, pay, and living conditions, and do everything to bring about a closer understanding between the people and the army. The assurance is welcome. But it cannot be denied that the predominance of non-Indians in the higher grades of almost every Defence Department is due to some kind of prejudice, racial or political. Till very recently certain provinces and communities were ignored as non-martial and no attempt was made to have even picked men from these. And even to-day political prejudice prevents many capable persons from being enlisted as officers. An efficient national army should be not only partially of the people but wholly so, and sturdy patriotism should be welcomed rather than distrusted. It may not be possible to Indianise the Defence forces completely all at once. But even the pace is not fast enough. In any case it is perfectly possible to put the Defence Department wholly under the charge of an Indian Minister.

Indian Slave Labour For Ceylon

We trust the Government of India will resist to the utmost the pressure which the British Colonial Ministry through the Secretary of State for India may bring to bear on them to lift the ban on emigration of Indian labour to Ceylon. The ban was imposed because the Ceylon Government, at the instance mostly of the rubber and tea planting interests in the island, sought to deprive Indian residents of their elementary rights of franchise. While these disabilities have not been removed, it is simply impertinence on the part of the Ceylon Government, in the interests of whichever party, to ask for Indian labourers to be sent to the island. Evidently both India and Ceylon are to be made the cat's-paw to pull the chestnuts out of the fire for British capitalists interested in the rubber industry. It will be remembered that recently an officially sponsored mission came out from London to investigate the possibilities of growing more rubber in Ceylon as well as in India. As we remarked on the occasion, Ceylon's critical food problem did not appear to concern the Colonial Ministry as much as the problem of growing more rubber there and Ceylon still continues to drain away rice stocks from India which the latter can illafford to spare.

No doubt, the plea of "war necessities" will be urged to bring pressure on the Government of India to permit Indian labour to be despatched to Ceylon without bothering about the disabilities they will be subjected to in that island. If the Government of India acquiesce in the proposal, they will be betraying the labouring classes. The country will expect both Mr. Aney and Dr. Ambedkar, who have undertaken the responsibility for the welfare of Indians overseas and for the labouring classes respectively, to refuse to be parties of supplying "slave labour" to Ceylon. The smooth-tongued Sir Baron Jayatilaka, who recently expatiated so glowingly on Indo-Ceylonese affinities and on the friendly feelings which his countrymen have always cherished for Indians but who has so far raised not a finger to induce his Government to remove the disabilities imposed on Indians, must be firmly told that the request of his Government cannot be granted until justice is done to Indians.

Ban On Hoarding

In the present scarcity of food grains and their unequal distribution one cannot object to the Bombay Government's order providing that no person in the city and suburbs can acquire more than a month's requirements of his household or establishment of any of the controlled food grains, wheat, rice, jowar and bajri. Indeed, the order may be said to be mild when it lets off those who possess larger stocks by only providing that they should not make fresh purchases till the stock is reduced below a month's requirements. This condones past hoarding and is obviously a discrimination in favour of persons who were shrewd or rich enough to have bought grain before the Order came into force, but the Order forbids fresh hoarding. However, the stocks of persons other than the dealers cannot seriously affect the situation as they only reduce the demand for fresh supplies. It will be wise for Government to concentrate attention on securing the necessary supplies steadily. Reasonable certainty of getting at any time at least the minimum requirements of foodstuffs is the best preventive against hoarding. As an economy hint we would suggest a wider use of Ragi, which is less dear and more nutritious than rice.

"MULES AND INDIANS"

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—Your comments on the Associated Press war correspondent's 'valuable' report viz:—"Mules and Indians were trained .....etc." brings back to my mind some interesting reminiscences of the last great war. As the medical officer of a Sikh regiment sitting in the dug-out in the muddy trenches of Mesopotamia, with shells and bullets flying over our heads, it was interesting to listen to the experiences of the sepoys, many of whom belonged to drafts from regiments which had won laurels at Givenchy, and Festubert in France, and Chanak and Sari-bahar in Gallipoli. One sepoy who had arrived from the Western front, said to me "Sab! Is lam men teen chiz sabse achchin niklin. Germanoke machine gun, Faransioke tophe, aur Indiake admi"; meaning "In this grea' war three things have been found to be the finest, viz:—machine-guns of the Germans, field guns of the French and the men from India". Those were the days in the early period of the last great war when only the Germans possessed a large number of light machine-guns and the British had to depend upon the comparatively few and heavy Maxim guns—before the lighter Lewis guns came into existence. Moreover the 75 mm. gun of the French was and perhaps is even now, considered the most accurate among the field guns. The above was a fairly common saying heard from the mouth of many of the sepoys in those days. Another time my orderly Ratan Singh while discussing the war said "Sab! hamare sarkarko teen bahut achche chiz milen hai. Khaki kapada, Khachar aur Indiake admi.....". "Sir! Our Government has got in its possession three most valuable things; Khaki cloth, mules and men from India. You can make use of them in any place in any climate, and under any difficult circumstances, and they would do work as nobody else could."

However if the scholarly Associated Press war correspondent, comfortable in his camp cot and sixty pounder tent, had an occasion to don the dirty Khaki Kurta and Safa soiled with the mud in the trenches, and charge the enemy with bomb and bayonet, with his company of Sikhs or Marathas as its commander with shouts of 'Sat Shree Akal' or 'Satanarayan Maharajki Jai', he I am sure would have coupled the names of his Indian sepoys with beings somewhat higher in the scale of evolution than the mules, like Major A.—of the -th Sikhs who used to ay always "Oh! Poopsingh (meaning thereby a Sikh sepoy) is God's own man." Or like the major of the Maratha company of the 101st Grenadiers who was wiped out with the whole of his company while leading them against a vastly superior force of Germans in an ambush at Tanga in East Africa, who said before heeled his men "There is no better fighting man than the Deccani Maratha and no Deccanis like mine".

But, of course it is said that sometimes "The pen is mightier than the sword"; and no doubt the Associated Press war correspondent has wielded his mighty pen very bravely, though none too gloriously.—Yours, etc.,

"K"

Bombay.

Frankly Speaking

Relief Of Leningrad

The news of the relief of Leningradm after 16 months of terrible ordeal for its brave defenders, will send a thrill of joy throughout Russia Though the German Command pretends not to be perturbed by the event and suggests that the time has been merely "shortened' there can be no doubt that the capture by Russians of the strongly fortified port of Schluesselburg on the river Neva is a heavy blow to the German army as it deprives it of the means of preventing supplies of men and material reaching Leningrad across Lake Ladoga. Further, the smashing of the German defences along the Neva restores the railway communication between Leningrad and Moscow, which had so long been interrupted and both the cities will now feel more secure than ever.

Dilemma For Finns

The Russian victory is bound to tell on the morale of the Finns, for it brings the Russians once again nearer their doors than is pleasant for them There can be no doubt whatever that the Finnish troops as well as the people of Finland as a whole must be war-weary in the extreme and that their Government would like to patch up a separate peace with the Allies, even at the risk of incurring the displeasure of their Nazi friends. But the Finnish Government, which has apparently been sending peace-feelers for a long time past does not appear to be sure as ta what reparations Russia may demand from Finland at the peace table for the latter's wanton attack on Russia, at the bidding of the Nazis. Recently we heard of proposals mooted to instal General Mannerheim in the presidential chair of Finland, but the world knows that he has been the bitterest enemy of Soviet Russia and was responsible, according to the latter, for the cold-blooded slaughter of over 20,000 innocent Russian men, women and children during the last war The Soviet Government is not likely to negotiate peace terms with a Government headed by such a person, though in Britain official circles have apparently a soft corner in their hearts for him. Further, the Soviet Government is likely to demand radical re-alignment of her frontiers with Finland so as to ensure the lasting safety of Leningrad and other Soviet territory. The contemplation of these and other hard nuts which Finland may be called upon to crack at the peace-table, as a penalty for her Government's foolish stab in the back of the Allies, is obviously causing serious apprehensions in the minds of Finnish politicians and their Government.

Towards Tripoli

Will General Montgomery do it again? His rapid advance towards Tripoli—at the time of writing he is barely 30 miles from the bomb-scarred capital of Mussolini's fast-dwindling African empire—naturally reminds one of his record dash from El Alamein. But while this spurt on the part of the Eighth Army, after a necessary period of reinforcement and consolidation, was expected, Rommel's headlong retreat is becoming more and more inexplicable. The only deduction that can be drawn is that he has decided to evacuate Tripolitania altogether and to effect a junction of the remnants of his Afrika Korps with General Nehring. Apparently the latter's dogged defence gives the Axis some hopes that Tunisia can defy for a pretty long time the Allied assault. At the same time it must be noted that even if Tripoli falls without any serious resistance, the terrain beyond that city still favours the defender and may enable Rommel to make a last stand in Tripolitania.

Detenus And Interviews

The Government of Assam have displayed elementary humanity in permitting security prisoners to have interviews with relatives and, in some cases, with friends. Most other Provincial Governments, including the Government of Bombay, still deny this justice to the detenus, though many of these are imprisoned on sheer suspicion without any definite charge against them. In Bombay such prisoners number, hundreds, and they are denied a right which is conceded to every convict. Is there any justice or humanity or common sense in forbidding the detenus to have interviews with their relatives even in the presence of jail officials?

"Wanted" Congress M. L. A. Arrested In City

66 Accused In Devakottah Arson Case Jailed: 16 To Be Sent To Borstal School

(Through A. P. and U. P.)

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Mr. D. K. Kunte (Kolaba District), a member of the Bombay Legislative Assembly, was arrested in the city on Wednesday under the D. I. R.

Mr. Kunte, who was Secretary of the Congress Party in the Bombay Legislature was wanted by Kolaba Police ever since the general arrest of Congress leaders after the last session of the A. I. C. C. in Bombay.

CURFEW EXTENDED

AHMEDABAD, Jan. 20:—The Curfew in the city has been extended by one week more Local mills are experiencing shortage of coal.

ARRESTS IN JALALPORE AND CHIKHLI TALUKAS

SURAT:—According to a report from Navsari eight more persons including a son of Police Patel and a teacher of a primary school have been arrested in connection with acts of sabotage by a gang of masked men in Jalalpore and Chikhli talukas. This brings the total number of arrests to 38.

A Bardoli report says that Mr. Ramanbhai, Mr. Nathbhai, Mr. Naranbhai and Mr. Motiram who were arrested at the village of Valod in that taluka were sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment each under the Defence of India Rules. Mr. Chhottubhai Dahyabhai who was arrested at Madhi village for being in possession of unauthorised 'patrikas', was allowed bail and released.

A report of armed dacoity in Gordha village in Bardoli Taluka has been received. It is stated that the dacoits looted about twelve houses but ran away on the arrival of the police.

A procession was taken out at Zalod, according to a report received here, in memory of Mahadev Desai's death. The police dispersed the processionists and arrested 16 persons. A meeting was held later in the evening when three persons were arrested.

BENARES:—Five villagers of Bariasanpur under the Chaubepur police station who were charged for damaging a culvert in the rural areas, have each been sentenced under the D I. R. to two years' R. I. and to pay fine of Rs. 30 or in default to undergo one year's further R. I by the First Class Magistrate.

DR. MUKERJI'S PAMPHLET PROSCRIBED

CALCUTTA, Jan. 20.

Further publication, sale or distribution of the English pamphlet entitled "A Phase of the Indian Struggle" by Dr. Syamaprosad Mukerji, ex-Finance Minister, Bengal, has been prohibited by His Excellency the Governor of Bengal under the Defence of India Rules.

SEARCHES AT DACCA

DACCA:—Sachindranath De, a restrictee of Manickganj under the Defence of India Rules, has been rearrested under Rule 129 of the Defence of India Rules and taken into custody.

The police searched the village residence of Mr. Birendranath Sen, Headmaster of the Baira H. E. School and also searched the boarding house attached to it. Nothing incriminating is said to have been found and no arrest was made.

Mr. Sailendranath Sen, a practising member of the Manickganj Bar and his brother Mr. Hirendranath Sen, who were prosecuted under the Defence of India Rules for alleged possession of prejudicial leaflets, have been acquitted by a Special Magistrate.

The same Magistrate bound down Mr. Narendra Chakrabarty of Kherupara, P. S. Harirampur, under section 107 of the Criminal Procedure Code with a bond of Rs. 500 with two sureties of like amount to be of good behaviour for one year. It was alleged that he held an unauthorised meeting at Jhitka and made a speech.

BALURGHAT ARRESTS

BALURGHAT:—One Ram Naresh Tewari, who is alleged to have been absconding since the incidents at Balurghat on 14th September, when some Government and other buildings were burnt by a mob, has now been arrested. He is one of the 57 persons against whom charge sheet has already been submitted regarding Balurghat incident.

ARRESTS IN ASSAM

GAUHATI:—Mr. Narayan Das, Organising Secretary, Assam Provincial Students' Federation, has been arrested under Rule 26 of the D. I. R., at Gauhati. Mr. Govinda Kalita, Organising Secretary, Assam Labour and Peasants Party, has been taken into custody under Rule 129, of the D. I. R. Mr. Haridas Deka, a member of the same party, has been arrested for the third time.

CONVICTIONS IN ARSON CASE

MADURA, Jan. 20.

Out of the 92 accused actually tried in the Devakottah Sub-Court Arson Case 26 including Mr. D. R. Arunachalam Chettiar a prominent Nagarathar Congressman were acquitted while the remaining 66 accused were convicted to various terms of imprisonments ranging from two years to 10 years' R. I. by Rao Sahib P. M. Srinivasa Iyengar, District and Sessions Judge, Ramnad and Special Judge in this case delivering judgment this evening.

Of the 66 convicted, 16 who were 12 to 21 years were sentenced to be detained in a Borstal School for three years for having been members of an unlawful assembly for dastardly purposes and for having shown criminal habits or tendencies as contemplated in Section 8 of the Madras Borstal School's Act.

Of the remaining 50 convicted four, Messrs. R. M. Annamalai, Mukkuliappan alias Periya Karuppan, Janakiraman and Karuppiah Pandithan were awarded ten years' R. I. each.

Three accused Messrs. Pookara Karuppiah, Raman and Kayambu were sentenced to two years' R. I. while for three accused including Mr. Al. Sp. Pl. S. Thirunavukkarusu Chettiar a banker and colour merchant, Devakottai (67th accused in the case) were sentenced to seven years' R. I. in the aggregate under various sections.

SEARCHES AND ARRESTS IN CALCUTTA

CALCUTTA:—Two places in the city were searched by the special branch police this morning. One person was taken to headquarters and subsequently placed under arrest.

Several houses in the town and in mofussil areas were searched by the police on Saturday morning. No arrest is reported to have been made.

TWO CONGRESS COMMITTEES DECLARED UNLAWFUL

The Noakhali District Congress Committee and the Khandal Primary Congress Committee in Parashuram police station (Noakhali) have been declared unlawful by the Government of Bengal under the Indian Criminal Law Amendment Act of 1908, according to a notification published in the Calcutta Gazette.

MAIL BAG SNATCHED AWAY

MEHERPUR (NADIA):—Report of a mail robbery at Barnia has just been received here. It appears that the postal mail runner of the Barnia post office, while on his way to Sehatta post office with a mail bag was attacked by some unknown persons armed with deadly weapons and the mail bag was snatched away No arrest has so far been made

FIVE YEARS' R. I. UNDER D.I.R.

CALCUTTA:—Sailendranath Ganguly was sentenced by the District Magistrate of 24-Parganas, acting as special judge, to five years' R. I. for offences under the Explosive Substances Act and the D. I. R.

Jit Singh, a Sikh astrologer, has been arrested at Darjeeling under the D. I. R..

REVOLVER RECOVERED.

CALCUTTA, Jan. 19.

A six chambered loaded revolver was recovered by the Bhowanipur police from the Kalighat bus stand on Sunday night. None was arrested in this connection so far.—United Press.

STATE BUNGALOW SET ON FIRE

KOLHAPUR, Jan. 20.

An attempt was made to set on fire the Ganag Ves 'chawadi' in the city.

Mr. Ganpatrao Ingale, a Praja Parishad worker of Kapshi, has been taken into custody.

The State bungalow at Hupri Park was set on fire. Some record of Forest Department is said to have been damaged by fire.—United Press.

MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE SUPERSEDED.

NAGPUR, Jan. 19.

A Gazette Extraordinary published to-day announces that the Burhanpur Municipal Committee has been superseded for a period of six months as the Government is of opinion that it has employed or permitted its officers or servants to act in furtherance of the activities prejudicial to public safety.—United Press.

REWARDS IN CASE OF ARRESTS.

SATARA, Jan. 20.

The District Superintendent of Police has announced a reward of Rs. 2,000 to be given to any person who will bring about the arrest of Mr. Nana Patil of the village of Yedemachindra.

A reward of Rs. 1,000 each has similarly been announced for the arrest of Mr. Kashinath Deshmukh of Tambave, Mr. Pandu Patil of Yede Nipani, Mr. Yeshwant Chavan, a pleader of Karad, and Mr. Gourihar Sinhasane of Katar Khatav.

All these persons are Congress workers of the Satara district and are said to be absconding since the commencement of the present disturbances.—United Press.

ARRESTS, CONVICTION AND RELEASE.

SATARA, Jan. 20.

Madhusudan Divekar has been sentenced to two years' rigorous imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 50 for being in possession of prejudicial literature.

Four persons have been taken into custody on suspicion of taking part in prejudicial activities in Karad Taluka.

Nine workers of the Cooper Engineering Works who were arrested under the Defence of India Rules have now been released unconditionally.

An attempt to commit dacoity at the village of Varunsi was foiled by the timely resistance of the villagers.

About 25 bullock carts loaded with groundnuts were stopped by armed dacoits in a hill tract on Karad-Patan Road. After being offered a few bags of nuts they let the carts go.—United Press.

CALCUTTA:—The Calcutta Corporation condoned the absence of two sitting councillors, Mr. Bepin Behar Ganguly and Mr. Bijoy Sing Nahar, who have been detained under D. I. R.

SHARP DIVISION OF OPINION AT EDITORS' CONFERENCE?

Francis Low On Bombay Meeting Proceedings: Tribute To Srinivasan's Lead

KARACHI, Jan. 20.

At the last meeting of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference, there was a sharper division of opinion than at any time previously and attempts were made to prevent the Conference from breaking up. This revelation about the proceedings of the Bombay meeting of the A. I. N. E. C. was made by Sir Francis Low, Editor of the "Times of India", at a tea party given in his honour this evening by the editor of the "Daily Gazette."

After paying a tribute to the very excellent leadership they always had from Mr. K. Srinivasan, Sir Francis said, that personally he should have thought it a mistake to break over the issue before them.

"We have agreed to certain restrictions", he said. "There are restrictions on the Press in Great Britain as there are restrictions here. The simple fact is that we are at war. Every newspaper in the Democratic world even in the United States of America is labouring under restrictions That is why, we of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference carry on with the arrangement with the Government to enable it to achieve in a friendly manner the object in view."

Sir Francis Low pleaded for a continuation of the present relations and concluded:

"I ask you to do all you can to maintain your self-respect, raise your status and realise your responsibility and on the lines of the agreement between the Editors' Conference and the Government give effect to that agreement in every way you can."—A. P.

HOARDING A CRIME

In order to prevent hoarding of food grains the Government of Bombay has published the Essential Articles Restricted Acquisition Order 1943. The Order applies at present to the City of Bombay and the Bombay Suburban District. Under the Order, no person can acquire more than a month's requirements of his household or establishment of any of the food grains mentioned in the schedule to the Order viz., wheat and wheat products, rice, jowar and bajra.

A breach of the provisions of this Order is punishable under the Defence of India Rules with imprisonment which may extend to 3 years or with fine or both. As prevention of hoarding will assist in bringing about an equitable distribution of food grains, the Government of Bombay trusts that the public will co-operate in the enforcement of this Order.

If any person has in his possession or under his control more than a month's requirements of his household or establishment of any of these food grains, he is debarred from making any further purchases of that food grain until his stock is reduced below a month's requirements. Thereafter purchases of that food grain are to be restricted only to such quantity as would not increase the total quantity in stock above a month's requirements.

These restrictions do not apply to a person carrying on the business of a producer, dealer, manufacturer, carrier or ware-houseman. Further, the Order provides that no person shall knowingly sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of any of these food grains to any person if by doing so the quantity in posession of the other person will exceed a month's requirements of his household or establishment.

"Is Seven A Mystic Number?"

To The Editor of "The Chronicle".

Sir,—I was very interested to read the article "Is seven a mystic Number" by Mr. B. J. Wadia, Vice-Chancellor, Bombay University, published in your esteemed Weekly dated the 3rd January. I am surprised that the learned and esteemed writer has not quoted instances from Hindu scriptures, which are some of the oldest in the world, proving that Number Seven has had a sacred and mystic significance from time immemorial. All Hindu scriptures, Vedas, Puranas, Upanishads, Ramayana and Mahabharatha, give innumerable instances of the unique place occupied by Number Seven.

To quote a few at random, there are:

7 Rishis Holymen of India	Saptha Rishis.
7 Holy Mothers	Saptha Mathas.
7 Seas	Saptha Samudras.
7 Virgins	Saptha Kanyas.
7 Holy Rivers of India etc., etc.	Saptha Nadis.

Again it is an age old custom to read Bhagavatam in seven days—Saptangam. It is mentioned in Ramayana that Rama had to aim the fatal arrow at Bali in such a way that it may pass through seven trees before striking the usurper monkey king.

The seventh day after the birth of a baby is observed religiously in every Hindu household. Rama was sent in exile for 14 years, Which is twice seven. There are references to 14 words in Hindu scriptures, which is again twice Seven.

I could quote hundreds of such instances justifying and in agreement with the learned writer's statement that "Seven" has a mystic influence, Has not the rainbow, the most beautiful of all nature's phenomena got seven colours?—Yours, etc.,

N. BALKRISHNAN.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

Q: Have you expressed a wish to see Congress leaders?

Ans: You know, leaders of opinion are not like monuments to be visited at will. Even if I wished to see them. I do not know whether they want to see me. It does not depend only on me. It is also a question of tactfulness. We must give due thought before we decide to make any request, although we as a delegation invited by a friendly Power have full initiative.

—Report of the Turkish delegation's interview with the Indian press.

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The opinion that there would be no racial domination by one country over another and that the Atlantic Charter would apply to all peoples, was expressed by Sir Mohamed Zafrullah Khan, Delegate of the Government of India to the Pacific Relations Conference who is now in London, in an interview on the discussions held in the Conference.

—London report.

Then we are afraid Sir Mohamed Zafrullah Khan is going to get a rap on the knuckles from his boss who has categorically stated that the Atlantic Charter does not apply to India!

Sir Zafrullah said that the Conference discussed subjects, social, political, economic and cultural. He found that the members were intensely interested in the political future of India.

The trouble, however, is that the interest of some members,—British, for instance!—in India's political future is too intense to be good for India's health.

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Not only Sir Mohd. Zafrullah but even a responsible paper like "The New York Times" seems to be suffering from illusions about the Atlantic Charter. Writing about Iraq's declaration of war, the N. Y. T. says: "Iraq may become the vanguard of the whole Muslim world which is beginning to realise that the Atlantic Charter is a better safeguard of its interests than the Axis propaganda of world conquest."

Mr. Churchill ought to take this matter up with President Roosevelt and put a stop to such dangerous statements which misinterpret the European Atlantic Charter in terms of human freedom—for Blacks and Whites alike!

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And, by the way, Mr. Jinnah had better beware. If Iraq becomes the "vanguard of the whole Muslim world", what about Pakistan?

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According to Dr. Ambedkar, "Journalism in India was once a profession. It has now become a trade. It has no more moral function than the manufacture of soap."

But soap is quite a useful commodity to have at hand when a politician decides to wash his dirty linen in public."

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"Indian journalism," further observes Dr. Ambedkar," is written by drum-boys."

Sometimes!

We have read Doctor Ambedkar's contributions to Indian journalism.

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Incidentally, we notice that in his Ranade Anniversary speech, Dr. Ambedkar compared Ranade with many public figures including Jotiba Fule, Gandhiji and Mr. Jinnah. There was one important omission, however. He forgot to compare Ranade—with himself!

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TODAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS
(Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague)

(1) Mr. Phillips, the American Envoy, has invited the Turkish delegation to accompany him when he goes "Somewhere in India" to meet "someone in India."

(2) Like the other cheap goods with which they were once glutting the Indian market, the Japs now want to dump dud bombs in India.

(3) The Legislative Assembly (born 1935, still going strong!) is once again to meet in three weeks time. Ain't that a howler?

(4) The Bombay Art Society will be convicted under the Defence Of India Rules for exhibiting certain "prejudicial" pictures.

On China Front

BOMBAY, Jan. 20

Last night's Chinese war communique reports that Japanese units which have retreated to the west bank of the Maniei river attempted another crossing after receiving fresh reinforcements last Saturday, but were again beaten back, says the Chungking radio. Fighting is still progressing in the Tameng-Lung area. Meanwhile, enemy troops in Menwa advanced northward last Friday They are being engaged by the Chinese in the neighbourhood of Mammox.—A P.

RELEASED FROM RAJKOT JAIL

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT, Jan. 20.

On the expiry of their four months' terms of imprisonment, Manharben Dhebar, Sardaben Parikh, Vijyaben Gandhi and three other ladies were released to-day from the Agency Jail. Three other volunteers have also been released.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

Bombay, Jan. 20.

The New York cotton market was quiet on Tuesday on continued uncertainty of price policies.

The market fluctuated indecisively New Orleans selling and scattered hedging meeting routine trade price fixing and short covering.

There were reports that the Commodity Credit Corporation has no plan to release cotton from stocks but price control policies being uncertain, there was absence of buying.

The market opened at about the highest level of the day at a rise of 2 points with March 19.65. There was some hedge selling and prices declined to 19.55. The market finally closed at a net decline of 7 to 4 points. Spot cotton prices lost 8 points at 21.25c. per lb.

The New Orleans Cotton futures market was also quiet and closed at a rise of 3 points to a decline of 7 points. Spot Cotton was unchanged at 20.24c. per lb.

LEND AND LEASE REQUIREMENTS.

According to recent Department of Agriculture report lend-lease requirements this season are expected to be below 800,000 bales of cotton compared with last season about one million. Of the latter about 51 per cent was below inch staple, 48 per cent inch to 35/32, and one per cent 1 1/8 and longer. About 17 per cent was strict middling and better, 52 per cent middling and 31 per cent below middling. All this came from Government's stocks. The quality to be shipped during the current season is not yet finally determined but it is believed that the existing open market purchases of about 300,000 bales plus cotton available in loan stocks will suffice to supply most of lend-lease requirements upto the end of the season, though some additional purchases are likely to supplement stocks for the present season and fulfil requirements for the early part of the next season.

PRIVATE CABLES.

N.Y. March highest (10 a.m.) 19.65+02
N.Y. March lowest (10-17 a.m.) 19.55+08

NEW YORK COTTON.
New York, Jan. 19.

March	19.57—06
May	19.39—06
July	19.29—07
October	19.15—07
December	19.12—07
January	19.11—04
Middling spot	26.26—08

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.
New York, Jan. 19.

March	19.83—02
May	19.62—06
July	19.15—06
October	19.37—07
December	19.31+03
Middling spot	20.24

NOON CALL.
New York, Jan. 19.

March	19.60
May	19.44
July	19.32

LONDON EXCHANGES.
London, Jan 19.

T. T. London
New York sellers 4.02 1/2 buyers 4.03 1/2
Madrid official 40.5
Montreal sellers 4.43 buyers 4.47
Zurich sellers 17.3 buyers 17.4
Stockholm sellers 16.85 buyers 16.95

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Jan. 20.

The local market was expected to open at Rs. 397 for March but the market opened quiet at Rs. 396/8 but there being no selling pressure the market ruled steady. Recent sellers were inclined to secure profits on a portion of sales and prices improved to Rs. 400/8. At this level the rise was checked by renewed selling and prices reacted to Rs 399/8. The market was quietly steady.

Prices advanced to Rs. 403 but later quietened down to Rs. 401/8. At this level there was some buying and prices improved to Rs. 405. It was said that some bulls were supporting the market. The market finally closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

I.C.C. January	Rs. 416/418
I.C.C. March	404 8 0
I.C.C. May	406 8 0

Cotton Tenders

Bombay, Jan. 20.

	To-day	Total
I.C.C. January	3,800	9,750

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS

Bombay, Jan. 20.

Linseed February	0 7 0
Groundnuts May	7 8 0
Castorseeds May	10 0 0
Silver Maha	4 8 0
Gold Maha	2 0 0

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, Jan. 20.

	Extra Spr-fine	Sup.	Fine	F.Good
Jarilla	424	419	414	409
Western	432	427	422	417
Saw-gd. 4 F.	449	444	439	434
Pun/American. 4 F.	424	419	414	409

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

Bombay, Jan. 20

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY.
Since 1st September.

In full-pressed Bales.	Yesterday	This year	Last year.
Khandesh	1,676	57,306	34,560
Central India	309	13,793	12,160
Barsi and Nagar	.....	10,688	29,438
Hyderabad/Gaorani	.....	9,041	4,526
Berar	.....	92,097	95,599
Central Provinces	200	8,625	36,720
Total Oomras	2,185	191,549	213,393
Dholeras	151	11,348	15,400
N.-W. Provinces	.....	607	1,021
Rajputana	.....	44	378
Sind-Punjab	2,005	270,311	220,469
Broach	.....	21,762	20,043
Coompta and Dharwar	.....	53,556	5 413
Westerns-Northerns	.....	16,019	5,956
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	.....	14,596	8,221
Arr. by road to 14th Jan. 45	.....	26,000	47,500

COTTON TEJI MANDI.

SETTLEMENT Feb. 21.—

March Double option	19 8 0
Teji Rs. 10 diff.	6 8 0
Mandi Rs. 10 diff.	6 0 0
Teji Rs. 15 diff.	5 0 0
Mandi Rs. 15 diff.	4 8 0
Teji Rs. 25 diff.	3 0 0
Mandi Rs. 25 diff.	2 12 0

COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton March Contract is below New York March 423 cent points at Exchange 331.

BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Jan. 20.

The local Share Bazar was firm with impressive buying by a certain group of operators. There was general character and prices moved up rapidly and the market displayed cheerful tone. There was certain amount of covering and scarcity of sellers helped the upward move.

Yesterday the Wall Street market opened quiet and leaders were reluctant to rise. There was some investment demand with bullish war news. Some forecast of technical corrections induced. Selling and quotations sagged with a barely steady tone.

In the local market Tata Steel Dfd shares made an easy advance. At the opening they were placed at Rs. 1517 and steadily rose to Rs. 1570 which was a good rise after many days. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 327 and advanced to Rs. 335. Bombay Dyeing shares also moved up to Rs 1722 after opening at Rs 1685. Century shares were neglected at Rs. 660 but Gokaks, Kohinoors and Colabas joined the upward move and the market tone was firm.

Later on there was scattered selling Tata Steel Dfd. were quoted at Rs. 1570, Ordinary shares after advancing to Rs. 336 reacted to Rs. 334. Bombay Dyeings were quoted at Rs. 1717. Century at Rs. 664. Gokak at Rs. 350. Kohinoor Rs. 648. New Great at Rs 388. Simplex Rs. 269 and Swadeshi at Rs. 519. Associated Cements were quoted at Rs. 213.

TEXTILE SECTION

Ahmedabad Advance 407/8; Bharat Mills 77; Bom. Dyeing 1718/12; Central India 410; Century 663; Colaba Land 245; Dawn 1040; E. D. Sassoon Ord. 14/1; E. D. Sassoon Defd. 3-3 3/4; Finlay 324; Gokak 351; Edward Sassoon 357/8; Hindustan 3650; Ind. Manfg. 3580; Ind. Bleaching 232; Indore Malwa 760; Khatau 378/12; Kohinoor 638; Lakshmi 1180; Madhowji 21; Minerva 166/4; Model Nagpur 317/8; Madhusudan 495; Meyer Sassoon 175/10; Morarji 805; Mysore 191/4; New Great 388; Phoenix 623/12; Podar Mills 312/8; Sassoon Silk 103/8; Shola pur 8000; Shri Nivas 400; Simplex xd 270/8; Svadeshi 522/8; Swan 291; Tata Mills 43; Vishnu 2080; Western India 3150.

INSURANCE SECTION.

Bom. Life 162/8; Empire Life 680; Ind. Mercantile 72; Industs. and Prudent 34; Jupiter 17; New India 60; Oriental 4425; Vulcan 34.

HYDRO & ELEC. SECTIONS.

Ahmedabad 190; Ajmere 13/15; And. Valley Ordy 1765; Bom. Tram Ordy 141; Bom. Suburban 183/12; Broach 13/8; Karachi 227/8; Poona 265; Surat 193/12; Surat New Rs. 50/Pd. Prem. 70; Tata Hydro Ordy 184; Tata Power Ordy 1670.

BANK SECTION.

Bank of India 157; Baroda 126/8; Central Bank 60/12; Bom. Prov. 57; Imperial Bank F.P. 1687/8; Imperial Bank P.P. 417/8; Reserve 106/8; Union 7/5.

PREF. SHARES.

7 per cent And. Val. 1562/8; 6 per cent Bom. Steam 336; 7 per cent Bom. Tram 89; 6 per cent Central India 682/8; 6 1/2 per cent Jupiter 16; 6 1/2 per cent Surat 193/12; 6 1/4 per cent Prem. Const. 1st 125; 6 1/4 per cent Prem Const. 2nd 124; 6 per cent Tata I. and S. 1st 205; 7 1/2 per cent Tata I. and S. 2nd 136/4; 7 1/2 per cent Tata Power 1661/4; 7 per cent Tata Hydro 165/10; 7 per cent Vishnu 775.

DEBENTURES.

4 per cent And. Valley 104/12; 4 per cent Tata Power 105; 4 per cent Tata Chemical 185; 5 per cent Shol. Rs. 64/Pd. 72/8; 6 per cent Marsland Price 113/8.

RAILWAY SECTION.

Ahmedabad Prantej 925; Cent. Provinces 107; Dhond Baramati 105; Guzerat 102/8;

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, Jan. 20.

Yesterday London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 3/4 at New York.

London spot and forward silver quotations were unchanged at 23 1/2d. and New York spot silver was quoted at 44 3/4 cents.

The local market was fairly steady to-day with scattered buying and silver after declining to Rs. 97-11-0 improved to Rs. 98/2. Gold was also steady with a moderate turnover. Quotations were as under:—

GOLD

Ready	Rs. 66 8 0
Posh	66 4 0
Sovereign	48 7 0

SILVER.

Ready	100 10 0
Posh	99 2 0
Maha	98 8 0

LONDON SILVER.
London, Jan. 19

London silver unquoted.

LONDON GOLD
London, Jan. 19.

London gold fine per oz £8-8-0

SEEDS MARKET

Bombay, Jan 20.

The local Seeds market was quietly steady with moderate business. Linseeds section was quiet. Groundnuts May opened at Rs. 76 6-0 and improved to Rs. 77-10-0 under scattered buying and covering. Castorseeds May were quoted at Rs 80 and Linseed May was done at Rs. 104-6. Tone was quietly steady.

Groundnuts May—			
Opening		76	6 0
Highest		77	11 0
Lowest		76	6 0
Closing		77	9 0
Castorseeds May—			
Opening		79	0 0
Highest		80	14 0
Lowest		78	14 0
Closing		80	12 0

LONDON WHEAT.
London, Jan. 19.

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe Jan/Feb quoted 26/1 1/2
Wheat Australian Jan/Feb quoted 28

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Jan. 20.

Tata Ordinary 335; Tata Deferred 1570; Indian Iron 30/6; Steel Corpn. of Bengal 22/12; Bombay Dyeing 1722/8; Central India 411/4; Century 165; Gokak 350; Kohinoor 643/12; Simplex 271; Andhra Valley 1775; Tata Hydro 153/12; Tata Power 1662/8; Associated Cement 212/8; Belapur 220/10; Bombay Burma (old) 360.

Hoshiarpur Doab 102; Mandra Bhon xd 108; Mymensing Rebate 101; Mymensing Gtd. 106; Sara Sirajganj 104/8; Sialkot Narowal xd 115; Sialkot New 48; Sind Light 75; Upper Sind Light 115.

MISCELLANEOUS SECTION.

Alembic Chemical 307/8; Alcock Ashdowns 275; Asso. Cement 212/8; B. B Petrol 2/3; Belapur 321; Bom. Burma Old 360; Bom. Burma New 122/8; Bom. Steam 410; Ind. Radio Ordy. 367/8; Ind. Radio Defd. 360; Invest. Trust 54/4; Prem. Const. 154/8; Scindia 23/13; Shivrajpur 56; Port Canning 86/8; Tata Ordy. 336; Tata Defd. 1577/8; Tata Chemical 26/14; Tata Oil 83; Wimco 315; Burma Corp. 3; B.I.C. Ordy 6 1/2; Ind. Copper 2-2 1/2; Ind. Iron 30/6; Steel Corp. Bengal 22/12; New Vict. Ordy. 8.

GOVT. SECURITIES

Bombay, Jan. 20.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 Loan 99/1
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes 94
3 per cent 1949/52 Loan 100/6
3 per cent 1951/54 Loan 99/13
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan 103/14
3 per cent 1963/65 95/5
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 101/12
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan 110/6
4 1/2 per cent 1958/61 Loan 114
3 per cent 1946 Def Loan 102/14

TAX FREE LOANS

6 per cent 1945/55 Loan 108/3
4 per cent 1965/55 Mysore 117
5 per cent 1965 Mysore 128/8

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P T 1974 108/12
4 per cent M Deb 1974 110/0
5 per cent M Deb 1959 118
5 per cent M Deb 1954 128
6 per cent K P T 1956 12e

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, Jan. 20.

LONDON
Banks buying 90 Days/Sl 1/6 9/32 Two Months
Banks buying 90 Days/Sl 1/6 5/16 Three Months
Banks buying 90 Days/Sl 1/6 5/16 Four Months
B C Rates 1 1 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16
Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32
Banks buying T T 1/5 1/32 D D 1/5 6/32
LONDON NEW YORK:
Banks selling T T Rs 332 3/4 D D Rs 332 3/4
Banks buying 1 1 Rs 329 1/2 D D Rs 329 1/2
LONDON/MONTREAL:—
Banks selling T T Rs 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2
Banks buying 1 1 Rs 297 3/4 D D Rs 298 3/4
LONDON/BERNE
Banks selling T T Rs 126 3/4
Banks buying 1 1 Rs 131 1/2
LONDON/STOCKHOLM
Banks selling T T Rs 123 D D K 125
Banks buying 1 T K 128 D D K 128
MEXICO/LONDON:—
Banks selling T T Rs. 67.27 D D Rs. 66.27
Banks buying T T Rs. 63.04 D D Rs. 62.04
LISBON/LONDON:—
Banks selling T T Esc 7.35 nom. D D Esc 7.35 nom
Banks buying 1 1 Esc 7.55 D D Esc 7.55
AUSTRALIA/LONDON:—
Banks selling T T 1/10 3/8 D D 1/10 3/8
Banks buying T T D D 1/11 3/8
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady Dull
Gold £8-8-0 Ready.
New York Silver 44 3/4
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready 23 1/2 Forward
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent
Money:—Call 1 and 2 months 1/4 per cent
3 to 6 months 1/2 per cent
10 to 12 months 3/4 per cent.
Tone:—Some enquiry.

METAL EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

Bombay, Jan. 20.

The following are the rates to day in our Market at about 3 p.m.

Copper sheets lb 21 Rs. 250; 28 225; 35 225; 42 217; 49-56 213.
Brass sheets Flag Brand lb 20-21 Rs. 227; 24 182; 28 182; 35 174; 42 174; 49-56 174.
Settlements Rates:
Copper sheets: Chaiter settlement Rs. 223
Market Tone:—Market tone is weak. No business in ready.

THEY BEGIN IT IN SCHOOLS

Sind Ministers Launch Hindu-Muslim Unity Campaign

KARACHI, Jan. 20.

Under the joint auspices of the Ministries of Civil Defence and Education, a "Unity" campaign was launched in Sind to-day with the object of fostering better relations between the two major communities.

The inauguration was celebrated by declaring the day a school holiday.

All students above fifteen years of age in all schools and colleges throughout the province were compulsorily asked to write an essay on "Hindu Muslim Unity"—the advantages of having it and the disadvantages of not having it; with reference to the country as a whole and to Sind in particular.

Prizes will be given for the best essays.

At many places meetings were held to propagate the ideal of communal harmony. Dr. Hemandas, Minister of Health, has declared that he will make the question of unity in Sind his especial interest.—

In the evening processions of students from schools and high schools throughout the city marched through the streets singing unity songs.

They congregated in Gandhi Gardens where a meeting was to be held and speeches delivered, and sweets presented to children.

TROUBLE OVER FLAG

Before the meeting commenced some students are said to have hoisted a Congress Flag on a flagmast and shouts of "Inquilab Zindabad" are said to have been raised.

Some Muslim students are said to have objected and hauled down the Congress Flag. The meeting was thereafter given up and the students dispersed.—A. P.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON

MARCH
New York, Jan. 20

Previous closing	19.57
To-day's opening	19.55
Difference	—02

CROSS RATES

T. T NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York, Jan. 20

Previous closing	4.03 3/4
To-day's opening	not received

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK
London, Jan. 20

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 sellers:	4.03 1/2 buyers
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2 sellers:	4.03 1/2 buyers
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2 sellers:	4.03 1/2 buyers.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Jan. 20

The London Stock Exchange was firmed to-day.

AUSTRALIAN LOAN

3 per cent Commonwealth (£102 1/4) £102 1/4

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent British Consols (£82 15/16) £82 7/8
3 per cent Conversion Loan (£107 5/16) £107 1/4
3 per cent Conversion Loan (£100 5/8) £100 5/8
4 per cent War Loan (£114 9/16) £114 3/4
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£105 7/16) £105 3/8
3 per cent War Loan (£102 15/16) £102 15/16
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£114 15/16) £114 15/16

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors 24-1 1/2
Marks and Spencer Ordinary 45-3
Electric Music Industry 21-7 1/2
Pinchin Johnson 32-3
Imperial Chemical 39-1 1/2
Woolsworth Ordinary 58-0
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rate £7
Dunlop Rubber 35-3
Unilever Ordinary 34-6
Ford Motors 31-9
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary £77 3/4
British American Tobacco Ordy £4 15/16
Carreras 'A' £6 1/32
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary £7 13/32
P and O Defd 32-4 1/2
Distillers 88-0
Bredford Dyers 16-1 1/2
British Celanese 17-6
J and P Coates 42-9
Courtaulds Ordinary 48-4 1/2
Fine Cotton Spinners 16-6
Vickers Limited Ordinary 20-4 1/2
Inter Nickels 46 1/4
Indian Iron 48-9

TEA SHARES

Assam 20-9
Donaro Tea 34-0
Rubber Plant 18-4 1/2

JUTE

Barnagore £7

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo-Dutch 14-9
Gula Kelampong 9-0
Rubber Plant 18-4 1/2

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug 18-9
Burma Corporation 5-3
Rio Tintos £10
East Rand Properties £1 13/16
Rand Mines £6 3/4

MINE SHARES

Crown Mining £8 3/8
Associated Portland Cement 60-0
Trinidad Leasehold 74-4 1/2
Sub-Nigel £5 11/16
Spring Mines Split Shares £0 7/8
Union Corporation 146-3

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian 32-6
Anglo-India 88-9
Burma Oil £2 31/32
Mexican Eagle 11-0
Shell Transport £3 5/16
Royal Dutch £25 1/2

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary £59 3/4
London Midland Ordinary £28 1/2
London North Eastern Defd £4
London Southern Defd £23 3/8
London Transport 5 per cent £131
London Transport 'C' £59

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, Jan. 20

New York Stock Exchange opening prices: General Motors (dol 45) dol 44 5/8
Anaconda Copper (dol 26 1/8) dol 25 3/4
U. S. Steel (dol 49 1/2) dol 48 3/8
U. S. Steel Preference (dol 115 3/8) unquoted.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, Jan. 19.

I.C.C. Jan highest 426: lowest 423: closing 423
I.C.C. March highest 402: lowest 396 1/2; closing 397 1/2
I.C.C. May highest 404 1/2; lowest 398 1/2; closing 389 1/2

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All-India Weather

POONA, Jan. 20.

The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at 8 hours on 16-1-43:—

Allahabad 73 49 0; Bombay 82 64 0; Calcutta 80 60 0; Cawnpore 71 55 0; Cuttack 84 68 0; Darjeeling 45 32 0; Delhi 66 43 0; Dehra Dun 65 41 0; Jacobabad 68 42 0; Karachi 71 54 0; Lahore 68 38 0; Lucknow 74 49 0; Madras 84 69 0; Nagpur 86 60 0; Patna 73 51 0.1; Peshawar 66 36 0; Shillong 59 35 0; Simla 45 33 0.—A.P.

United Commercial Bank

The United Commercial Bank, Limited, a copy of whose prospectus appears in this issue, has been formed for transacting banking business of all kinds. The authorised capital of the company is Rs. 4 crores divided into 4,00,000 shares of Rs. 100 each. Of the above shares the Directors have decided to issue at par 2,00,000 shares of Rs. 100 each, and of these the Directors and their friends have agreed to take up 1,00,000 shares of the face value of Rs. 1,00,00,000. The balance is open to public subscription.

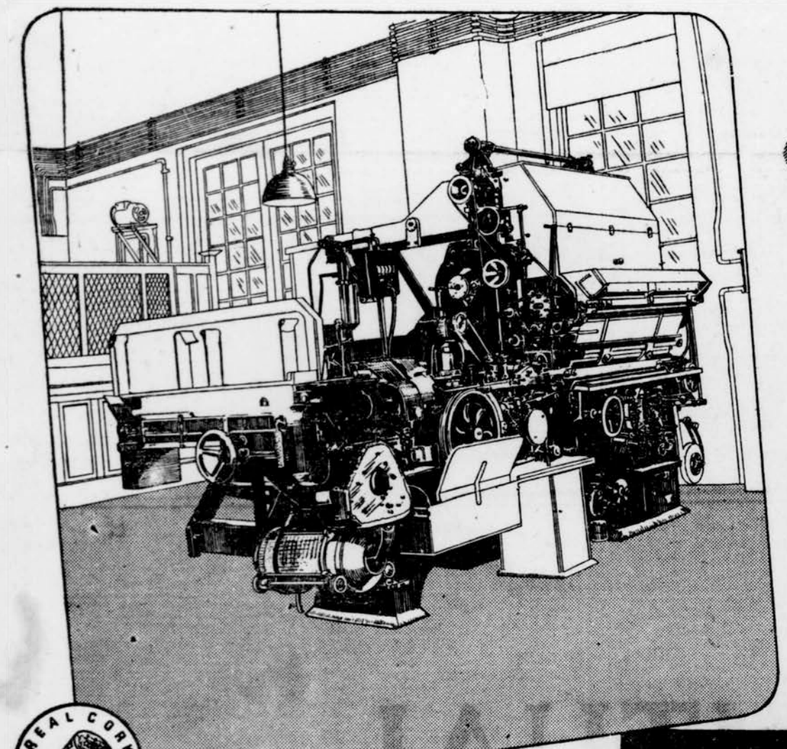
Premier Construction Dividend

The Board of Directors of The Premier Construction Co. Ltd., recommended on Tuesday dividends at 6 1/4 per cent (less Tax) per Preference Share and 2nd Preference Share, and Rs. 7 per Ordinary Share (free of Income-tax) inclusive of the Interim Dividends declared in August last for the year ended December 1942.

Assam Treasury Bills

Tenders ifor Rs 50,00,000 (Rupees fifty lacs only) of three months' Government of Assam Treasury Bills will be received at the Reserve Bank of India, Bombay up to 11 a.m. (Standard Time) on Wednesday the 27th January 1943 and at the office of the Reserve Bank of India in Calcutta up to the close of business on Tuesday the 26th January 1943.

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By "Dim"

J. C. Gaulstaun's "Racing Reminiscences" is a recent Calcutta publication. The dedication was very promising. It read: "To all those bookmakers who, for the past sixty years, have taken my hard earned money, I dedicate this book." With such a sparkling dedication, I settled down to read the story of a racing man, who had certainly a chequered racing career with its ups and downs. But the book was dissappointing. There is too much commonplace in it. There is a lot of detail which after all these years is of very little interest. Gaulstaun makes no permanent contribution to racing literature, because basically it is a very ordinary narrative. Even exciting experiences must be told in an exciting manner, if they are to retain the thrill which the writer himself experienced. This is lacking in Mr. Gaulstaun's book. The general public is keen on knowing the inside story of the Indian Turf. Are all the rumours we hear correct or is racing in India really straight? Gaulstaun has told us something about the great horses still on the track, but his book makes no comment on some of the characters still on the track also. What is Gaulstaun's opinion of these persons? What is his experience of them? Does he know of any outstanding cases of malpractice which have or have not been detected? Did some genius ever conceive of some fantastic device, say, of using electric batteries concealed in the saddle in order to add a little pep to the horses? These are the sort of fantastic stories which we would have liked revealed—if they ever happened. Then Mr. Gaulstaun's book would have been a best seller and would have sold in a great cause.

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The Cultural Society of Friends of Soviet are to celebrate Lenin Day. This happens to be to-day. It takes place at the F.S.U. hall at nine to-night. The programme concludes with the Internationale and that would be worth going to listen to.

BANGALORE:—It is authoritatively learnt that services of Mr. A. V. Ramanathan, Minister for Law and Information, Mysore Government have been placed at the disposal of the Bharatpur State for appointment as Dewan.

WAVELL SHOULD BE USED AT CENTRE

Suggestion In Lords For Membership Of War Cabinet

LONDON, January 20.

In the House of Lord Viscount Elibank asked Government to consider the advisability of immediately bringing Marshal Wavell into close association in this country with the supreme strategical direction of the war.

For the Government, Lord Snell replied that Government were fully confident of Marshal Wavell's high qualifications.

As Commander-in-Chief in India Marshal Wavell was already closely associated with the supreme direction of the war in the Far East.

Answering the suggestion that Marshal Wavell should be used at the centre of direction and might be appointed a member of the War Cabinet Lord Snell said that he would bring the suggestion to the notice of the proper quarter.—Reuter.

Chilean Senate Approves Of Break With Axis

NEW YORK, January 20.

A Santiago message reports that the Chilean Senate has approved the breaking off of diplomatic relations with the Axis.—Reuter.

WOMAN COMES INTO HER OWN

Speaking under the auspices of the Bombay Women's Work Guild at Readymoney Mansion, Napean Sea Road, on Wednesday evening, Prof. J. C Daruwala emphasized the important part played by a modern woman in society. The Professor said that man's general attitude towards woman was one of superiority. This prejudice had come down from times immemorial. Woman had been considered to be weak, and physical disability, fickleness and indecision were attributed to her even to-day. This view, according to the speaker, was completely erroneous. She had greater physical endurance than man, and intellectually also she was superior to him. She had a better artistic sense than man, and had a flare for decoration and arrangement. However, she was a slave to fashion, and this suppressed her personal artistic expression. The use of lip-stick, rouge and powder was born out of this craze for fashion. This was a weakness on her part from which man was completely free. In other respects both man and woman had the same virtues and vices.

Referring to the cause of the age-long prejudice against woman, the speaker said that it was mainly economic. Woman's economic dependence on man had created in the latter a superiority complex. This position had, however, undergone a great change and woman was slowly coming into her own.

RUSSIAN EFFORT "TRULY GIGANTIC"

LONDON, Jan. 20.

The German radio political commentator, Hans Fritsche, described the Russian effort as "Truly gigantic" in a talk on Tuesday.

Declaring that as in the last winter the Russians were throwing in enormous masses of men and material without counting the cost, he said, "The German soldier who is now fighting the most bitter defensive battles along the whole eastern front replies not by words but by heroic deeds.

We have only to compare the distances covered by both sides in summer and winter respectively to get a true picture of the situation".—Reuter.

Hitler Wants 40,000 Danish Workmen

STOCKHOLM, Jan 20.

Hitler has demanded 40,000 Danish workers for German industry, it is learned here to-day. The Prime Minister Scavenius has not yet yielded to the order.

The Norwegian press has been ordered to prepare Norwegians for the possibility of an Allied invasion—a subject which was previously forbidden to be mentioned, says the Swedish Norwegian Press Bureau.—Reuter.

Robert Taylor Among Internees At Morocco?

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.

According to a Berlin radio report the film star Robert Taylor and other members of the crew were interned after a United States bomber was forced down in Spanish-Morocco.

Not Interned

HOLLYWOOD: A studio spokesman said that Robert Taylor was not interned in Spanish-Morocco but was still working in Hollywood.—Reuter.

Must Meet Russia's Needs, After War

MONTREAL, January 20.

Mrs. Roosevelt told a Press Conference yesterday that when the war is over the Allies should extend immediate aid to Russia.

"We must send experts to Russia and find out what they need—food clothing and seeds." she said

"Then we must send them as well as the rest of Europe whatever is essential."

Mrs. Roosevelt arrived here to day to address the aid for Russia meeting.—Reuter.



"Repose"—by Mr. D. D. Dalal. (From the annual exhibition of the Bombay Art Society at Sir C. J. Hall).

PROF. BHANSALI'S PROGRESS

WARDHA, January 20.

Prof. Bhansali is making rapid progress He has put on eight pounds in the first week since breaking his 63-day fast. He is now considered out of danger.—A P.

Sentenced For Damage To B.E.S.T. Bus

Chanikaprasad Matadan (30), (employee of the Jayant Metal Manufacturing Co.), was sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 75 or in default one month's rigorous imprisonment having found guilty of the charge of causing damage to a B.E.S.T. bus on September 9, at Lal Baug, by Mr. I. S. Haji Presidency Magistrate. Mazagaon Court on Wednesday.

Arrested For Alleged Hoarding Of Foodstuffs

Naziruddin Karim Mohomed, who was arrested on Tuesday being found hoarding a large quantity of foodstuff, in Nagpada locality was produced on Wednesday, before Mr. V. K. Muranjan, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Court, who ordered him to be remanded into police custody pending further investigation.

GAEKWAR AND GHAUS MOHAMMED BEATEN

INDORE, Jan 20

A thrilling game was provided at the All India and Yeshwant Club Open Championship Tennis Tournament this evening, when J. K Kaul and Captain Indukar beat His Highness the Maharaja of Baroda and Ghaus Mohammad in Men's Doubles Finals 2/6, 6/4, 6/1, 4/6, 6/4—A P.

State Of Scarcity In Athani And Parasgad

A state of scarcity has been declared in the Athani and Parasgad talukas of Belgaum district, except in 11 villages of Parasgad taluka in which the annewari is estimated to be six annas or more.

The Government of Bombay has placed at the Collector's disposal funds for the grant of tagai (Rs. 75,000 for Athani and Rs 1,00,000 for Parasgad), for the relief of destitutes (Rs. 30,000 for Athani and Rs. 25,000 for Parasgad) and for allowances to village officers and inferior servants (Rs. 5,000 for Athani and Rs. 15,000 for Parasgad). An allotment of Rs. 10,000 for relief works on the B.W.D. programme and the employment of relief staff have also been sanctioned.

The Collector has also been authorised to start construction of such District Local Board works as are necessary to give relief.

State Of Scarcity In Sholapur

A state of scarcity has been declared in the Sholapur taluka of Sholapur district.

The Government of Bombay has placed Rs. 3,18,400 at the Collector's disposal to provide relief in the whole scarcity area of this district, which now comprises Sholapur, Karmala, Madha, Pandharpur, Malsiras and Sangola talukas.

The relief funds sanctioned provide Rs. 75,000 for tagai loans for deepening and repairing wells, binding and the purchase of fodder; Rs. 67,075 for gratuitous relief for village servants and for decrepit persons; and Rs. 1,75,500 for relief works.

The employment of five Relief Circle Inspectors for each of the affected talukas and additional clerks has also been sanctioned.

The Government is also taking steps to reserve 2,000,000 lb. of grass for Sholapur district.

FRONTIER MOVE TO END PROVINCIAL DEADLOCK

PESHAWAR, Jan. 19

Rumours have gained currency throughout the N. W. F. Province, regarding "a concerted attempt" to end the constitutional deadlock and form a Ministry in the Province. These rumours are intensified by certain reports appearing in a section of the local and the Punjab press. Opposition circles describe the reports as unwarranted.—A.P.

"Special Criminal Courts' Ordinance Case"

Setalvad Continues His Arguments

(Before the Hon. the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Divatia and Mr. Justice Weston)

Shreekant Pandurang Ketkar and Others ..... Petitioners (Original Accused)

versus

Emperor

Mr. Setalvad resumed his arguments on Wednesday morning in the case in which the validity as well as the applicability of the Special Criminal Courts Ordinance No. 2 of 1942 was challenged. The petitioners had been arrested for placing stones on the railway lines between Bhandup and Vikhroli stations on 6th September last. After they had been committed to the Sessions Court, Thana, their case had been transferred to a Special Magistrate under this Ordinance which was made applicable to Bombay Province on 26th October, 1942.

On his Lordship the Chief Justice observing that the ordinary principle of construction as to retrospective operation which applies to an Act of Parliament should not be applied to an Ordinance of this nature which is not a statute and is not discussed by the Legislature when passing it to meet an emergency situation, Mr. Setalvad stated that the necessary intendment as to whether or not the Ordinance was retrospective must be inferred from the language used and not from the extraneous circumstances of the situation. Mr. Setalvad further argued that even in cases exclusively triable by the Court of Sessions, the material date was the day on which the committing Magistrate took cognizance of the case.

ADVOCATE-GENERAL'S ARGUMENTS

At about 1-30, the Advocate-General rose to address the Court. Formulating at the outset the principles applicable to the construction of Ordinances he stated—first that substantive rights may be affected incidentally by what is really a mere change in procedure; secondly, that though different principles do not apply to the construction of a war measure from those applicable to a peace measure, the ordinary presumption that it is affects substantive rights the measure should not be construed as retrospective is considerably weakened; thirdly that if the measure is really a change of procedure it applies to pending proceedings; fourthly, that it is a fallacy to state that making an Act applicable to past transactions is giving that Act retrospective effect; fifthly that an Act designed to protect public interests should be construed differently from ordinary penal measures; lastly that the words of the measure itself must be looked at and in the present case Section 5 of the Ordinance does not merely apply to "offences" but also to "cases" (i.e. where the offence has already been committed). The Advocate-General relied on the case in L. R. 10 Q.B.D. 195. He further contended that the trial of the petitioners could not be said to have already commenced because this was a jury case in which the trial cannot be said to have started till the jury was empannelled and no jury having been empannelled when the case was transferred to the Special Magistrate, actually the Ordinance was not applied retrospectively for no rights had arisen. He further argued that the right of trial by jury though a valuable right was not an absolute one for the High Court itself could transfer a case from a jury district to a non-jury district.

Mr Setalvad in reply urged that it was not logical to draw the line as to the commencement of a trial only with the empannelling of the jury. He was still addressing when the Court rose for the day. He will resume his arguments in reply this morning.

Mr. M. C. Setalvad and Mr G. N. Thakore with Mr. R. A. Jaghirdar and Mr. Y. S. Pandkar appeared for the petitioners.

The Advocate-General Mr. N. P. Engineer with the Government Pleader Mr. B. G. Rao appeared for the Crown.

MATUNGA RAID CASE

Accused Plead Not Guilty: Charges Framed Under D. I. R.

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Matunga Manuvilla Raid Case, in which eight persons, including a woman, were arrested under D.I.R., was resumed to-day, before Mr. I. S. Haji, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Court.

As a result of the fire in that Court most of the records of the said case (which was first tried by Mr M. A. F Coelho) were destroyed. To prove the 'bona fides' of the copies of the prejudicial pamphlets which were in possession of Police Prosecutor Second Court, and now transferred to Mr. Munsiff, Police Prosecutor, in the Court of Mr. I. S. Haji, the former (Police Prosecutor) was asked to give evidence to that effect.

In the course of his evidence the Police Prosecutor stated that he conducted the case against the eighth accused. The copies of the prejudicial reports were kept in a suit case belonging to Deputy Inspector Sattam, which he identified. He had collected the copies of the leaflets to be sent to him saying that they would be required in the re-hearing of the case. Deputy Inspector sent him a brief, which he transferred to Mr. Munsiff, when the case was transferred on October 17.

The Prosecutor of the Second Court was later cross-examined by advocate Goverdhandas.

The Magistrate framed a charge against all the accused under 39 (6) read with 39 (1) (b) of the Defence of India Rules. All the accused pleaded not guilty.

Accused No. 8 is to be tried separately.

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